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Dear Mr. Blosser;

Thank you very much for your letters of 23rd & 24th. I am very glad you are doing so much to hold attention to the southern side. Unless you can hold the Park Com'n. to it I fear Allen will get Goodhue's plan adopted. It of course appeals to business men & farmers who care little or nothing about a park, ^{or} of the good of the people, if they interfere with "business."

You have read I suppose my father's pamphlet called "The Justifying Value of a Public Park". That contains the arguments in favor of a large landscape park. I will try to find a copy and send it to you. I will also send you copies of letters to Dawson & Allen. You should call the attention of the Park Com'n. to the clause in our contract by which they agreed to give us an opportunity to report upon any matter affecting the appearance of the park before taking final action. That

should give me a chance to state the argument.

I thank you for such full letters explaining the progress of events.

I believe Mr. Dawson will be able to accomplish more than I could by personal interviews and informally, and that is the only way that will be effective in this case, I fear.

I had supposed that Kitchin, Luce & O'Halloran were with Marston as to site but I could see that Russell Allen liked F.P. O.P. and was ready to do as he wished. With him I fear my argument of mine would have any more effect than it would with Sef-ton. My hope is centered in Marston.

I trust you will succeed -

Yours truly,

John C. Ousted.